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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
Sub-Commission on Prevention
of Discrimination and
Protection of Minorities
Forty-fifth session

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Note by the Secretary-General

Duration and venue of the session

1. The forty-fifth session of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 2 to 27 August 1993. The first meeting will be convened at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, 2 August 1993.

Provisional agenda

2. The provisional agenda, prepared in accordance with rule 5 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, is reproduced below.

Pre-sessional working groups

3. In accordance with previous decisions, the forty-fifth session of the Sub-Commission will be preceded by three working groups as follows:

(a) Working Group on Communications, established pursuant to paragraph 1 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) of 27 May 1970. This Working Group of five members of the Sub-Commission will meet for two weeks prior to the forty-fifth session, that is from 19 to 30 July 1993;

(b) Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, established pursuant to Economic and Social Council decision 16 (LVI) of 17 May 1974. Pursuant to the arrangements endorsed by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1993/27 of 5 March 1993, this Working Group of five members of the Sub-Commission will meet for eight working days prior to the forty-fifth session of the Sub-Commission, from 17 to 27 May 1993;

(c) Working Group on Indigenous Populations, established pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/34 of 7 May 1982. The Commission on Human Rights, in its resolution 1993/31 of 5 March 1993, recommended to the Economic and Social Council that the Working Group on Indigenous Populations should be authorized to meet for 10 working days prior to the forty-fifth session of the Sub-Commission, for the purpose of completing a draft declaration on indigenous rights in consultation with interested Governments and organizations of indigenous peoples. The Working Group will meet from 19 to 30 July 1993.

In-session working groups

4. Since its thirty-fourth session in 1981, the Sub-Commission has established a sessional working group to assist it in relation to its annual review of developments concerning the human rights of persons subjected to any form of detention or imprisonment. The Sub-Commission may wish to consider establishing such a working group at its forty-fifth session.

5. The annotations to the items listed in the provisional agenda will be issued as an addendum to the present document.

Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda.

3. Review of the work of the Sub-Commission.

4. Review of further developments in fields with which the Sub-Commission has been concerned.

5. Elimination of racial discrimination:

   (a) Measures to combat racism and racial discrimination and the role of the Sub-Commission;

(b) Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to the racist regime of South Africa.

6. Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including policies of racial discrimination and segregation and of apartheid, in all countries, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories: report of the Sub-Commission under Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXIII).

7. The new international economic order and the promotion of human rights:

(a) The role and equal participation of women in development.

8. The realization of economic, social and cultural rights.

9. Communications concerning human rights: report of the Working Group established under Sub-Commission resolution 2 (XXIV) in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII).

10. The administration of justice and the human rights of detainees:

(a) Question of the human rights of persons subjected to any form of detention or imprisonment;

(b) Question of human rights and states of emergency;

(c) Individualization of prosecution and penalties, and repercussions of violations of human rights on families;

(d) The right to a fair trial.

11. Independence and impartiality of the judiciary, jurors and assessors and the independence of lawyers.

12. Human rights and disability.

13. Elimination of all forms of intolerance and of discrimination based on religion and belief.

14. Discrimination against indigenous peoples.

15. Contemporary forms of slavery.

16. Promotion, protection and restoration of human rights at national, regional and international levels:

    (a) Prevention of discrimination and protection of children: human rights and youth;

    (b) Prevention of discrimination and protection of women.

17. Protection of minorities.

18. Freedom of movement.

19. Consideration of the future work of the Sub-Commission and of the draft provisional agenda for the forty-sixth session of the Sub-Commission.

20. Adoption of the report on the forty-fifth session.